



PII BREACH MANAGEMENT

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What is a Breach?

The actual or possible loss of control, unauthorized disclosure, or unauthorized access of personally identifiable information (PII) where persons other than authorized users gain access or potential access to such information for other than authorized purposes where one or more individuals will be adversely affected.

Source: DoD 5400.11-R, "DoD Privacy Program", May 14, 2007



What is Personally Identifiable Information (PII)

PII is information that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as his or her name, SSN, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, and biometric records, including any other personal information that is linked or linkable to a specified individual.



Has a Breach Occurred?

- Basic questions for determining a breach:

- Did you lose it?
- Did someone steal it?
- Was it compromised?

- If you answered "YES", to any of the questions above you have a reportable breach





Reporting (Upon discovery of actual or suspected breach)

Immediately notify your Headquarters/Command Privacy Officer for assistance if an actual or suspected breach occurred

- **Within 1 hour** report incident to the United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT) :
<https://forms.us-cert.gov/report/>
- **Within 24 hours** report incident to the Army Privacy Office at :
<https://www.foia.army.mil/PATS/>
- Discuss with your Privacy Officer any further actions related to this breach (e.g. individual notification)



PII Breach Reporting Process Flowchart

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graph TD; A[Discoverer of the PII Breach] --> B[Your Chain of Command]; A --> C[U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT)   
 http://www.us-cert.gov]; A --> D[Army Privacy Office   
 https://www.foia.army.mil/PATS/]; B --> E[Remedial Training   
 Internal/External Investigation]; B --> F[Work with local Privacy Office to determine notification procedures]; B --> G[Notify Affected Individuals]; C --> H[Within 1 hour]; D --> I[Within 24 hours];
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The flowchart illustrates the response process for a PII breach. It begins with the 'Discoverer of the PII Breach', who must notify 'Your Chain of Command' (ASAP), the 'U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT)' (Within 1 hour), and the 'Army Privacy Office' (Within 24 hours). 'Your Chain of Command' then oversees 'Remedial Training Internal/External Investigation', 'Work with local Privacy Office to determine notification procedures', and 'Notify Affected Individuals'.

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Questions?

- For additional assistance please contact your local privacy officer or you may contact the Army Privacy Office at:

- **(703) 428 - 6513 or 6832 / DSN (328)**

- **Email:**

- usarmy.belvoir.hqda-oaa-aha.mbx.rmda-foia-privacy-alert@mail.mil

□ Additional information and training can be found on the following website:

<https://www.rmda.army.mil/privacy/RMDA-PO-Guidance.html>

<https://www.rmda.army.mil/privacy/RMDA-PO-Training.html>